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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Economic Research
Congressional Briefing Coordinator

FROM: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Economic Joint Committee Briefing

1. On the briefing for the Joint Economic Committee, I think we have it in good shape except for the length. It's a total of 51 pages which is much too long. In the basic economic portion, perhaps we can consolidate; e.g., we talk about energy in two different places and recapitulate the four problem areas of the Soviet economy in two different places.

2. On the 30 pages discussing Defense expenditures, I think we can telescope a great deal. Please take a hand at this.

3. My only other comment is that the charts are much too complex. On some of them you may just have to break them down into two or three charts if we have to show all of the data.

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